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WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 1900.

三拜禮 號六月五英港香

THE UNITED ASBESTOS
ORIENTAL AGENCY.
Sole Agents for the
UNITED ASBESTOS COM-
PANY, LTD., LONDON.
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Managers.

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED 1880.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Ver 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND 8,000,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.
Branches and Agencies:
TOKIO. KOBE.
NAGASAKI. LONDON.
LYONS. NEW YORK.
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.
BOMBAY. SHANGHAI.
TIENTIN. NEWCHWANG.
LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.
PARIS BANK, LTD.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.
HONGKONG AGENCY—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.
" " " 6 " 4 "
" " " 3 " 3 "
" " " S. CHIH, "
Hongkong Manager.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1900. [11]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £800,000

RESERVE FUND £500,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months—4 per cent.

" " " 6 " 3 "

" " " 3 " 2 "

D. W. GILMOOR,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1898. [31]

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

N. A. STELLS, Esq., Chairman.

R. SHEWAN, Esq., Deputy Chairman.

E. GOOTZ, Esq.

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H. W. SHAW, Esq. P. SADLER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:

Hongkong—Sir THOMAS JACKSON,

MANAGER:

Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent.

per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 3 per cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.

H. M. BEVIS,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1900. [19]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted

by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be

obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option

balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,

H. M. BEVIS,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1900. [10]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000

Paid up Capital £324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:

CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. D. GILLES, Esq.

CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq. J. T. LAUTS, Esq.

Chief Manager,

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%

Hongkong, 20th December, 1899. [8]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DEGREE
OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Taels.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000

PAID UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:

CANTON. PEKING.

CHEFOO. PENANG.

CHINKIANG. SINGAPORE.

CHUNKING. SWATOW.

FOOCHEE. TIENSIN.

HANKOW.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection

Bills of Exchange drawn on the above

Places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Trans-

fers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities.

Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

3% per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

4% " " 6 "

5% " " 12 "

E. W. RUTTER,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1900. [14]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

\$4.50 per Case of 375 lbs. Net ex Factory.

\$2.80 per Bag of 250 lbs.

SHEWAN, TOMEY & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1900. [15]

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS
LONDON Japan G. K. Wright, R.N.R. About 22nd May ... Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c. Coromandel F. W. Vibert, R.N.R. Noon, 26th May ... Freight or Passage.
YOKOHAMA Rosetta C. C. Talbot, R.N.R. About 26th May ... Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI Clyde E. Street About 26th May ... Freight or Passage.
*(See Special Advertisement.) + (Passing through the Inland Sea).
Via NAGASAKI and KOBE.

For Further Particulars, apply to
A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1900. [15]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKAN LINIE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;
PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIc PORTS;
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS;
Steamers will call at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.
N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

SALEMERS. SAILING DATES.
HAMBURG, Hamburg-Amerika Linie WEDNESDAY, 30th May.
SACHSEN THURSDAY, 14th June.
OLDENBURG THURSDAY, 28th June.
BAVERN THURSDAY, 12th July.
STUTTGART THURSDAY, 26th July.
KONIG ALBERT THURSDAY, 9th August.
WEIMAR THURSDAY, 23rd August.
PRINZ HEINRICH THURSDAY, 6th September.
PREUSSEN THURSDAY, 20th September.
HAMBURG, Hamburg-Amerika Linie WEDNESDAY, 3rd October.
SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 17th October.
OLDENBURG WEDNESDAY, 31st October.
BAVERN WEDNESDAY, 14th November.
STUTTGART WEDNESDAY, 28th November.
KONIG ALBERT WEDNESDAY, 12th December.
WEIMAR WEDNESDAY, 26th December.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of May, 1900, at NOON, the Steamship "HAMBURG," of the HAMBURG-AMERIKAN LINIE, Captain P. Litteschloss, with MAIls,
PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES
and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 28th instant. Cargo and
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, and Parcels
will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50

and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubit in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1900. [12]

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

VIOLINS, GUITARS, BANJOS, CORNETS,
CELLOS, MANZOLINES, GUITARRAS, TROMBONES,
MANDOLAS, ZITHERS, EUPHONIUMS,
LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

"CLAYMORE."

FINE OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

SOLE AGENTS:
THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY
HONGKONG.

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Intimations.

WATKINS' CROWN SODA,

GUARANTEED TO BE MANUFACTURED FROM FILTERED
WATER, AND TO CONTAIN ONLY THE PUREST
BICARBONATE OF SODA IN
SOLUTION.

Watkins, Limited,

AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS.

CROWN SODA WATER. SELTZER WATER. LEMONADE.

BELFAST GINGER ALE. SARSAPARILLA.

&c. &c. &c.

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DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held at
the HONGKONG CLUB, on TUESDAY,
the 22nd instant, at 8 P.M.

Members intending to be present are re-
quested to send in their Names to the HONOR-
ARY SECRETARY on or before FRIDAY, the
18th instant.

The Secretary will be glad to receive the
Names of Devonians wishing to join the
Society.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong Club.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1900. [60b]

SANITARY BOARD.

THE Attention of Owners of

To-day's
Advertisements.

Intimations.

EYE-SIGHT.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF
HONGKONG, No. 4463.
A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the BREWERS'
SONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-NIGHT,
the 16th instant, at 8 p.m. for a brief period.
Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1899.

THEATRE ROYAL
CITY HALL

SATURDAY, the 19th May, 1899.

Under the Patronage of
His Excellency, the Acting Governor,
Major General GASTON,
Commodore POWELL,
R.A., A.M., R.N.

GRAND FAREWELL BENEFIT
CONCERT

Miss MURIEL ALLEYNE.

The DALLAS MUSIC AND DRAMATIC CO.,
Kindly assisted by
Mr. ALEX MARSH, Mr. A. G. WARD,
and Others.

Further particulars will be announced
PRICES OF ADMISSION.—
Concertina and orchestra.

PLAN at MESSRS. ROBINSON PIANO CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1899.

WANTED

A CHINESE MAID to take care of a
Baby on voyage to London by P. & O.
Steamer Japan, leaving on 1st instant.
Apply to

ROOM 101,
HOSTELLING HOTEL

Hongkong, 16th May, 1899.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

I HAVE THIS DAY REMOVED my resi-
dence from No. 9, The Regal, to No. 2,
LEIGHTON HILL ROAD.

1. MAY 1900.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1900.

DOUGLAS SHIPBUILDING COMPANY,
LIMITED

FORTSWAW, AMOY AND CAMSUEI

THE Company's Steamship

THE HAILONG.

Captain Bathurst will be despatched to the
above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 18th instant,
at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passengers apply to

DOUGLAS SHIPBUILDING COMPANY,
General Managers

Hongkong, 16th May, 1899.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND
TACUCA.

THE Company's Steamship

THE HAILONG.

Captain Davies will be despatched to the
above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 18th instant,
at 10 A.M.

The attention of his passengers is directed to the
excellent accommodation provided by this
steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric
Light.

For Freight or Passengers apply to

SHEWAN, TOMEY & CO.,
General Managers

Hongkong, 16th May, 1899.

THE OSAKA SHOSSEN KAISHA,
LIMITED

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO

THE Company's Steamship

THE ANPING MARU,

Captain J. Saito, will be despatched to the
above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant,
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passengers apply to

THE MITSUBUSAN KAISHA,
Agency

Hongkong, 16th May, 1899.

THE OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM
SHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO, for Steamship
"DORIC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to
take immediate delivery of their Goods from
alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

G. L. GORHAM,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1899.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORLESS OF THE ITALIAN
CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most
respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Post Ports, for their kind
patronage and support, and desires to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of
NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs
and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing Cam-
den's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery,
Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiorless will also be most grateful
for any PAPER or old ENVELOPES to be made
into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools,
how are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1899.

ONLY
FOR A FEW DAYS
MORE.

Constantly recurring headaches, spells of
dizziness, when reading, weak eyes, the letters
running together; any of these symptoms
indicate a deficiency in the form of the eye
requiring Glasses only to correct and cure.
Mr. LAZARUS supplies his SPECTA-
CLES only after testing the sight.

ADVICE FREE.

1580

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

THE LEADING MANUFACTURERS
OF

AERATED WATERS
IN THE FAR EAST.

THE MACHINERY in use is of
the latest design and most up to date
character.

ENGLISH EXPERTS manage
our factories, and their practical
knowledge produces an article that is
unrivalled for its excellence.

The Helder is the purest in
the Island and is skilfully filtered on
scientific principles.

We use only the best and most
expensive ingredients, guaranteeing
Absolute Purity.

We quote Special Prices to large
consumers.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Established A.D. 1841.

DEATH.

On the 12th inst. at Edgewell, Seymour Road,
Hillside, Ho Shiu-tze, son of Mr. Ho Tung,
Aged 20 months. Deeply regretted.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 1900.

TELEGRAMS.

See also the "Hongkong Telegraph."

SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

THE UNREST IN
THE NORTH.

BRITISH GUARD WITHDRAWN.

BOXERS GROWING BOLDER.

From our own Correspondent.

TIENTSIN, May 15th.

The British Guard is leaving im-
mediately, though the reason for its
withdrawal is by no means obvious.

There are indications that the Boxers
are growing stronger and bolder in
the vicinity of Peking and are receiv-
ing the fullest support from the
Chinese Government. The people
are evidently being stirred up with
an object, but the foreigners do not
appear to realize what is being done.

Received at 8 a.m.

Published at 5.30 p.m.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

THE RECENT OPERATIONS IN
THE FREE STATE.

MR. STEYNE ENERGETIC.

LONDON, May 14th.

Lord Roberts' recent movement in the
Free State paralyzed all discipline

and concerted action of the Boers,

who flocked from the entrenchments

they had halfheartedly constructed.

Mr. Steyn personally whipped them

out of the train.

THE BIGGARBERG MOUNTAINS
FORCED.

OCCUPATION OF DUNDEE
IMMINENT.

Reuter's correspondent at Pieter-

maritzburg, 14th inst., wires, that a

telegram from General Buller an-

nounces the successful forcing of the

Biggarberg and the probable occupa-

tion of Dundee to-day.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs
and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing Cam-
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LATER.

GENERAL.

FRANCE.

The Nationalists have finally
gained 49 out of 80 seats at the
French Municipal elections. Paris
papers regard this as somewhat
ominous.

ANOTHER NEW FREE STATE

CAPITAL.

Mr. Steyn has gone to Heilbron,
which he has proclaimed the Capital
of the Free State.

THE COMMONWEALTH BILL.

Mr. Chamberlain, in introducing
the Commonwealth Bill, said, that he
must ask the House so to amend the
Bill as to retain the power of a Court
of Appeal, but it was proposed to

introduce to the House of Lords im-
mediately a scheme to appoint, for
seven years, one representative from
Canada, South Africa, Australia and
India respectively as members of the
Privy Council, who would act as
Lords of Appeal, receive life peerages
and continue to sit in the House of
Lords after the expiration of the
septennial term. The Imperial Gov-
ernment would pay salaries.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says—
On the 16th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has
fallen in Japan and over the coast of China,
owing to depression which appears to be
moving Eastwards in the N.W. part of the Sea
of Japan. Gradients slight with light variable
winds in S. China. FORECAST.—Varying
winds, light or moderate; shower.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE American mail was signalled at 2 p.m.

LIEUTENANT Macmillan, H.K.C.V.C., returned
from leave yesterday.

Sir Henry and Lady Blake, and Miss Blake
arrived in Tientsin on the 4th inst.

H.M. TORPEDO destroyers "Whiting" and "Fame"
leaving port for the North to-morrow.

ON the completion of the Japanese naval pro-
gramme the total number of warships in
the Japanese Navy will be brought up to 66.

WE notice that a couple of junks are busily
at work heaving up the coal-junks which was
swamped alongside H.M.S. "Whiting" the other
day.

The total value of imports and exports in
Sarawak in 1898 was \$1,20,000 against
\$1,17,000 in 1897. The increase in exports
exceeded \$1,264,000.

THE Rev. A. G. W. Wetherall, army chaplain at
Singapore, has been ordered to Malta for duty.
He was to leave per M. M. E. "Simons" on the 13th instant.

THE Sarawak fiscal returns for 1899 show
revenue set at \$851,438 against \$843,239. These figures show large increases compared with 1898.

It is reported that the latest addition to British
royalty, the son recently born to the Duke and
Duchess of York, will be christened "Patrick" by
the desire of the Queen.

By arrangements made with the tourist agents
Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son, a dozen tourists
left Southampton on the 25th ulto. for South
Africa on a visit to the scenes of the recent
battles.

Mr. C. J. Naylor and Mr. P. Mackenzie
Skinner have entered into partnership at
Bangkok, and will practise as advocates and
solicitors under the firm name of Naylor and
Skinner.

This morning at the Magistracy, Ng Fuk
Fong, a merchant, and Chan Ngan and Sun
Siang his concubines were charged, in the case of
the male defendant with having been drunk
and disorderly, the charge against the women
being that they attempted to rescue the male
prisoner and assaulted the police to the damage
of their uniforms. Mr. Louker appeared for the
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CHUNGKING.

30th April, 1900.
We have heard by wire that H.M.S. *Woodcock* and *Woolard* only passed Kuei-fu on the 28th instant, that is fully three weeks to come that distance from Ichang, which is much slower than an ordinary junk. We understand, however, that the channel of the River is being surveyed in a thorough way which will account for the delay.

Mr. A. J. Little left here for the Coast on 26th inst. and we understand his steamer for the Upper River is not to be ready to leave Shang-hai till 15th May. Mr. Little steamed from Chungking to Chentu, the province capital, via Suifu and Kiating-fu.

This is likely to be a successful enterprise, and the Chinese merchants have shown their confidence in it by subscribing for a considerable portion of the stock. Another scheme on foot in this city is the flotation of a telephone Coy. Mr. Way, of the Upper Yangtze Syndicate has left here on an up-country journey to Cheotu and the Kien-chang valley. The Imperial Post is going from bad to worse. Two English mails are now overdue and this at the easy low water season. What will it be in time of flood!!!—*China Gazette* Cor.

THE LATE MR. BIBBY.

The *Malay Mail* says that the cause of Mr. Bibby's death was Bright's disease, brought to an acute stage by the accident which happened to him in the deceased when driving from Raub to Kuala-Lumpur. This accident occurred on the 2nd April. Mr. Bibby was thrown out of his trap and received a very severe wound on his head. He had been more or less in the doctor's hands ever since, and, being sixty-three years of age, and his constitution being seriously undermined by the strenuous tour of years in a place like Raub, he had not the physical stamina left to fight the disease. Mentally he was fighting to the last. Indeed, it was only his extraordinary will-power which had prolonged his life for a few days.

POOR SINGAPORE!

A DEN OF THIEVES.

In the interest of American trade, I am compelled, says Sidney B. Everett, U. S. Consul at Batavia, to draw attention to a subject of which I had heard for some time, but the accounts of which I thought might be somewhat exaggerated. I speak of the breaking open of merchandise in transit through Singapore to ports in Netherlands India. Merchants here and in Macassar now rarely receive a shipment *via* Singapore from which something has not been abstracted, and they have begun to figure regularly on a certain percentage of loss for all goods shipped through that port. The object appears to be to kill Batavia and Macassar (the latter a free port) as distributing centres for Netherlands India. For instance, machinery shipped *via* Singapore direct to Tegal, or some such place, in a Singapore ship, stands a good chance of getting there in good condition. If, however, the same machinery is shipped *via* Batavia from Singapore in a Dutch steamer, the chances are that it will arrive in bad order and with essential parts missing. There is no doubt that to a considerable extent the desired effect has been achieved; for whereas formerly nearly everything for any part of Netherlands India used to come through Batavia, it is now a fact that many of the smaller ports in the Colony are importing and exporting direct. Macassar was made a free port to compete with Singapore, the latter being also free; but the latter place has waged such a relentless war that it has done Macassar a great amount of damage. In fact, I am told that these living in Macassar it is useless to have anything come from Singapore, and that the only way is to import things direct from Europe, or else *via* Batavia from one of the Dutch steamers that come straight from Holland without going to Singapore. The best way to ship goods here from New York is either by steamer to Amsterdam or Rotterdam, thence by direct steamers of the various Dutch lines to Batavia and the other ports in this Colony, or by steamer to Liverpool, thence by direct English or Dutch steamer to Batavia. Those who ship *via* Singapore do so at their peril and must expect to find themselves involved in all sorts of claims and lawsuits on account of goods damaged and lost.

MR. HARE'S MISSION.

PORCELAIN EXPERIMENT.

It is reported in Selangor that Mr. Hare, who accompanies Sir Frank Swettenham to China, is charged with a special mission there by the Government of Federated Malaya. Mr. Hare has been asked by the Government to touch at certain ports in China and inspect the porcelain potteries there. Mr. Hare is also to bring away with him Chinese labourers from the potteries, so that they may be employed in the porcelain industry, which the Federal Government proposes to introduce in the States as an experiment.—*Straits Times*.

A LAND OF TIN.

A land of promise for tin-mining is said to have been found in Mid Sumatra, in the district of the "Five Kottas" which has just been annexed by the Netherlands India Government. It was long known that the district abounded in tin. In a mountain range called Si Balimbing tin ore used to be found which, after being smelted in the native fashion, was exported to Singapore. The people of the land kept to themselves and brooked no interference from the Dutch authorities, who, on their part, let them alone. The district began, however, to be a place of refuge for outlaws and bad characters from places under Dutch sway. Plundering expeditions from there into Dutch territory became frequent; punishment so seldom overtook the guilty parties that the people of the "Five Kottas" held the Dutch authorities cheap. Matters grew from bad to worse until a British mining engineer named Clifford prospected for gold near the boundary. He was attacked and murdered by robbers from the "Five Kottas." They fled thither, and the people refused to give them up when the Dutch authorities demanded their surrender. Dutch troops upon this entered the district and overran the country. The people, on finding that they could not withstand the invaders, who mustered in overwhelming strength, submitted, and the work of conquest was carried out with hardly any bloodshed.—*Straits Times* Cor.

FILIBUSTERS FOR PRETORIA.

The Chicago Ambulance Corps, which arrived at Lourenco Marques in the French steamer *Caravelle*, and was delayed in its departure for Pretoria on suspicion of filibustering, left by special train accompanied by a motley following of French and Germans, 100 in all. Their departure only took place after many stormy interviews with the Portuguese authorities. They have no passports, and no credentials beyond a letter from Miss Clara Barton to the effect that she knows some of them personally, and believes them to be genuine; but many have openly expressed their intention of fighting. The Boers are paying from £50 to £40 per month for such recruits.

NEWS BY WIRE.

(Via Ceylon).

Bushman's Kop.

LONDON, April 24th.
Reuter, in a telegraphic despatch from Maseru of yesterday's date, states as follows: The Boers evacuated Bushman's Kop during the night. The forces under Generals Brabant and Hart had a running fight all day. They are gradually advancing along the Basuto border, and will bivouac to-night eight miles from Wepener, where the besiegers did nothing to-day.

Gun Foundry at Pretoria.

The *Times* publishes a telegram from Lourenco Marques stating that foreign employees have equipped a foundry at Pretoria for manufacturing big guns, the first of which has already been despatched to the Free State.

Robots Sentenced.

Three rebels from Sunnyside have been sentenced at Cape Town Sessions to five year's imprisonment each, and twenty-four others to three years' imprisonment each.

A Now Field Marshal.

General Sir Neville Chamberlain has been promoted Field Marshal.

The Waterworks Operations.

Reuter wires from Leauw Kop on the 23rd that General Pole-Carew's Division yesterday advanced in two portions, starting simultaneously east and south of Bloemfontein with the object of driving the Boers from their line of defence south of the Waterworks. Dickson's (?) Cavalry Brigade made a wide detour to the left, and Alderson's Mounted Infantry (chiefly Canadians), operating on the extreme right, with Stephenson's Brigade on the left, drove the Boers from the kopje, while Alderson outflanked Leauw Kop on the extreme Boer left, which was found evacuated. This morning, Dickson met with opposition, and was unable to complete the halting movement. The Boers were not in great force, but their retirement will probably result in the evacuation of kopjes commanding the Waterworks, which Commandant Dr. Wet is reported to hold strongly.

The Ladysmith Heroes.

The Queen receives the members of the Naval Brigade who were besieged in Ladysmith on the 2nd May. On the 4th of May, the Lords of the Admiralty will inspect the Brigade publicly in London, the Prince of Wales attending.

Sir George White.

Sir George White is being greatly honoured in the country. Wherever he goes he receives a most hearty ovation.

Balloons for the Boers.

A party of Russian experts has gone to the Transvaal to organise a balloon service for the Boers.

A New Imperial Court.

Government have resolved on the creation of a New Imperial Court by the amalgamation of the Judicial Committee with the House of Lords.

The "Onsland" Suppressed.

Lord Roberts has prohibited the circulation of the Africander Bond's organ, the *Onsland*, in districts which are under Martial Law.

The Damaged Waterworks.

According to the *Standard's* Bloemfontein correspondent, the only damage to the Waterworks is the removal by the enemy of the slide valves of the engines pumping water.

The Indian Famine Fund.

The *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent at Berlin learns that the Famine Fund movement there is due to the Kaiser's initiative.

Dr. Klopisch, the head of the famine relief movement, in the United States, has arrived in England, en route for India. He expects to raise one hundred thousand (3 pounds or dollars) besides sending immediately to India two ship-loads of corn. The British Government will supply one vessel for its shipment.

The Indian Missionaries' Conference at New York has appealed on behalf of the starving in India and a special famine meeting has been arranged.

The Burmese Contingent.

An explosion took place at Pretoria on Tuesday night in the engineering works used as an arsenal.

The building was destroyed, and ten were killed and 32 wounded, mostly French and Italian workmen. A German director was wounded.

The Spionkop Despatches.

The Rt. Hon. C. T. Ritchie, President of the Board of Trade, speaking at Craydon yesterday, said that it was a delusion to suppose that the Spionkop despatches were published by the War Office with the consent of Lord Roberts. The President of the Board of Trade added that their publication in no way necessitated the recall of General Sir Redvers Buller.

In the House of Commons to-day the Right Hon. James Lowther gave notice of motion for the 22nd, calling attention to the publication of Lord Roberts' despatch.

The Right Hon. C. Wyndham stated that Lord Roberts made no comments upon the operations at Magersfontein.

India.

In the House of Commons to-day, the Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour replying to Mr. MacLean said that Lord George Hamilton (Secretary of State for India) was most carefully watching events in India. An appeal for assistance would be made to Parliament if needful; but the Government of India did not anticipate any difficulty at present in providing the means of relief.

Japanese and Canada.

The *Times* publishes a telegram from Ottawa stating that the Governor-General in Council has disallowed fifteen of the Acts passed by the British Columbia Legislature, containing restrictive provisions against Japanese immigrants. The decision was taken in defence to the wishes of the Imperial Government.

Retreating Boers overtaken at Thabanchu.

LONDON, April 25th.
The British Cavalry and Mounted Infantry have overtaken a large number of the retreating Boers at Thabanchu. Our attack is now deve-

loping, and hopes are expressed of a great British success.

Hurried Boer Northward Trek—Strong British Force at Thabanchu.

Practically the whole of the enemy has been swept beyond the Thabanchu and Wepener line, although fragments still remain in the Smithfield district.

General Louis Botha arrived at Dewetsdorp on Tuesday, and ordered all the Boer forces to retire northwards. A trek commenced hurriedly at three o'clock that afternoon, the force from Wepener retiring along the Caledon River, and the Dewetsdorp force made for Ladybrand, skirting Thabanchu and picking up the garrison and Leauw Kop fugitives.

Commandant Dr. Wet's commando continue their running fight, using their "pom-poms". Colonel Hamilton reports the engaging of a portion of the enemy with shells on Wednesday at long range; therefore the chances of pushing them effectively are slight. Nevertheless, he is closely pressing the enemy's west flank with a portion of the 1st and the whole of the 10th (Ridley's Brigades) all of which arrived at Thabanchu yesterday morning. General French, with two Cavalry Brigades, arrived immediately afterwards. General Rundle followed, and then came the Eleventh Division.

Basutos Eager to Attack the Boers.

The Basutos are reported to be following the flight of the Boers eagerly, ready to attack them the moment they touch the border.

A Commando Dodges two British Forces.

The *Daily Chronicle* reports that a portion of the enemy crossed the Modder River at Vaalbank, south-east of Bloemfontein, on Wednesday, in the direction of Dewetsdorp, and dodged between General Rundle and Col. Alderson's Mounted Infantry (chiefly Canadians), operating on the extreme right, with Stephenson's Brigade on the left, drove the Boers from the kopje, while Alderson outflanked Leauw Kop on the extreme Boer left, which was found evacuated. This morning, Dickson met with opposition, and was unable to complete the halting movement. The Boers were not in great force, but their retirement will probably result in the evacuation of kopjes commanding the Waterworks, which Commandant Dr. Wet is reported to hold strongly.

Ample Provisions at Thabanchu.
The *Daily Telegraph* reports that posts bearing established everywhere, with a view to repressing forays, there are plenty of provisions at Thabanchu.

Boer Commando of Special Volunteers.

Lafan's Agency states that the enemy numbers 8,000, whereof one-fourth forms a separate commando consisting of special Volunteers carrying a week's supplies in their saddlebags; they are capitally equipped and largely employed as foraging parties.

750 Wagons Arrive at Kroonstadt.

A heavy transport train of 750 wagons has arrived at Kroonstadt from the south.

Col. Pole-Carew's Punishment of Rebels.

No news has been received of Col. Pole-Carew since Tuesday, when he was punishing the rebels with excellent effect. For instance, he passed a white-flagged farm which he observed to be sniping a detachment. He immediately paraded and burned the place and confiscated the cattle.

Formation of A Relief Column at Kimberley.

A Reuter's telegram states that General Hunter is forming a relief column at Kimberley, mainly of the 10th Division, General Hart's Brigade having embarked at Durban under sealed orders, and others—probably General Barlow's and General Warren's—having been trained at Stormberg and De Aar to Kimberley where, it is believed, four of the Natal batteries have also arrived.

Transport Movements and Despatch of Remounts.

Transports continue to embark and arrive. The hospital-ship *Maine* has returned with a consignment of wounded.

The total remounts despatched this year are 27,000 horses and 17,000 mules. Embarkation has been arranged for an additional 7,500 horses and 2,000 mules; and a further supply of 7,500 horses and 2,000 mules has been ordered.

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General Carrington Welcomed at Boira.

The Governor of Beira cordially welcomed General Carrington, who arrived on the 23rd of April and reviewed the Portuguese troops. He inspected the camp at Bamboek Creek, and proceeded to Marradas. The railway is working smoothly. Four broad-gauge locomotives have arrived.

The British Boer Losses at Colenso.

The Reform Club entertained Sir William MacCormac and Dr. Treves at a dinner on Saturday, Lord Rosebery presiding. Sir William MacCormac affirmed, as the result of strictest enquiries that, compared with our 1,400 casualties at Colenso the Boer had only five killed and

Estimations.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at NOON, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd May, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1900.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 23rd instant, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1900. [577b]

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of May, 1900, at 12.15 in the afternoon, when the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS will be proposed:

1.—That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$100,000 to \$250,000 by the creation of 10,000 New Shares of \$10 each.

2.—That the New Shares be issued at such time or times and at such premium as the Directors may determine.

3.—That the New Shares be allotted to such persons and upon such terms and conditions as the Directors may determine.

By Order,

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So long as said Resolution is passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting, which will be subsequently convened.

4.—That the Regulations contained in Table A in so far as they apply to this Company be altered as follows:

That the following clause be substituted for Clause 37 of Table A:—"The quorum for all the purposes of a General Meeting shall be not less than five members present in person or by proxy. No business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless the quorum requisite be present at the commencement of the business."

By Order,

EDWARD OSBORNE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1900. [579b]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the above Company, held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the Twenty-Seventh day of March, 1900, the following RESOLUTION were passed:

1.—That in pursuance of the Provisions of the Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th March instant, and since duly registered, the sum of \$1,250,000 be withdrawn from the Reserved Fund and be carried as of the 2nd July next, to the Credit of Capital Account, each Share being credited with a sum of \$25 as paid up thereon in addition to the sum of \$50 now standing to the credit of each Share.

2.—That the Balance of \$25 per Share of the Unpaid Capital of the Company be called up, and that a CALL be and is hereby made of \$25 per Share, and that the Shareholders be requested to pay the same to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, on or before the 2nd day of July, A.D. 1900.

Shareholders are hereby requested to pay according.

And Notice is also given that, in accordance with Article 34 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said 2nd day of July, 1900, at the Rate of \$12 per cent. per annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th day of July, 1900, up to the actual date of payment of the same.

By Order of the Board:

A. SHELTON HOOPER,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1900. [580b]

Notice of Firm.

SALAMANDE FIRE INSURANCE CO. NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED, having been appointed AGENTS for the above COMPANY, are prepared to accept Risks against FIRE at CURRENT RATES.

HOTZ, SIACOB & CO.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1900. [581b]

For Sale.

FOR SALE AT TIENSIN, NORTH CHINA.

LARGE BUSINESS PREMISES on the TAKU ROAD within easy reach of the bund. The Premises consist of a Six-roofed Bungalow, Three Large Godowns, one with a double storey and flat roof suitable for drying purposes, Comptore's Quarters and Offices, one Brick House, several Out-buildings and all necessary adjuncts to business. One Godown contains a Hydraulic Press, Engine, &c. For particulars apply to

J. T. SKOTTOWE,

Land, Estate, and General Commission Agents,

Tientsin,

North China. [582b]

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept Fire, Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [583]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HANNUM."

Captain Hodges will be despatched for the above Port, TO MORROW, the 17th instant at 10 A.M.

For Freight, or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & C.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1900. [583b]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship.

"SUNGKIAN."

Captain Moore will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 18th instant.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1900. [584b]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship.

"INDIA."

Captain A. Martinlich will leave for the above place, on SUNDAY, the 20th instant, at daylight.

For Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1900. [585b]

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSU.

THE Company's Steamship.

"TAMSUI MARU."

Captain H. Nagata will be despatched for the above ports, on SUNDAY, the 20th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight, apply to

THE MITSU BUSSAN KAISHA,

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1900. [586b]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENSIN.

THE Company's Steamship.

"KWEIYANG."

Captain Outerbridge will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1900. [587b]

TRIP THROUGH THE FAMOUS YANGTSE GEORGES.

FOR ICHANG AND CHUNGKING.

THE New Fast Paddle Steamship.

"PIONEER."

will leave Shanghai on her First Trip for the above Places, via HANKOW, on or about WEDNESDAY, the 23rd instant.

The Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers.

For Passage, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,

Agents, Yangtze Landing Co.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1900. [588b]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL (DIRECT).

VIA SUEZ CANAL.

Taking Cargo at London Rates.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HOMENEUS."

Captain Riley will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 24th May.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1900. [589b]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,

TAMANIA, &c.)

THE Company's Steamship.

"PATROCLUS."

Captain Dickens will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 26th May.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1900. [590b]

FOR SALE AT TIENSIN, NORTH CHINA.

LARGE BUSINESS PREMISES on the TAKU ROAD within easy reach of the bund. The Premises consist of a Six-roofed Bungalow, Three Large Godowns, one with a double storey and flat roof suitable for drying purposes, Comptore's Quarters and Offices, one Brick House, several Out-buildings and all necessary adjuncts to business. One Godown contains a Hydraulic Press, Engine, &c. For particulars apply to

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"DRUMMOND."

will be despatched for the above Port on or about SUNDAY, the 10th June.

For Freight, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1900. [592b]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship.

"AGAMEMNON."

Captain Nish will be despatched on

TUESDAY, the 12th June.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1900. [593b]

INSURANCE.

NORTH GERMAN

Intimations.

BREAD!! BREAD!! BREAD!!

MR. R. RUTTONJEE begs to inform his numerous Patrons that he is now prepared to deliver BREAD in WANCHAI and the EAST END of the City between the hours of 6 and 7 A.M.

CUSTOMERS requiring BREAD to be delivered are requested to kindly notify the same to

H. RUTTONJEE,
13 & 15, D'Aguilar Street.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.

THERAPION. This successful and highly popular remedy, as employed in the Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Rosan, Joubert, Velpau, and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a medicine of the kind, and surpasses everything hitherto employed.

THERAPION No. 1, is a few days only, removes all discharges from the urinary organs, effectively superseding injections, the use of which causes irreparable harm, by laying the foundation of structure and other serious diseases. In dysentery, piles, irritation of the lower bowel, cough, bronchitis, asthma, and some of the more trying complaints of this kind, it will be found astonishingly efficacious affording prompt relief where other well-tried remedies have been powerless.

THERAPION No. 2, for impurity of the blood, scurvy, pimples, spots, blotches, pains and swellings of the joints, secondary symptoms, disease of the bones, sore throat, and all diseases for which it has been too much a fashion to employ mercury, sarsaparilla, &c., to the destruction of the sufferer's teeth and ruin of health. This preparation purifies the whole system through the blood, and thoroughly eliminates every poisonous matter from the body.

THERAPION No. 3, for nervous exhaustion, waste of vitality, and all the distressing consequences arising from early error, excess residence in hot, unhealthy climates, &c. It possesses surprising power in restoring strength and vigour to the debilitated.

THERAPION may be procured of the principal Chemists and Merchants throughout the world. Price in England £2 9s and 4/6. In ordering, the purchaser should state which of the three numbers he requires, and observe that the word "THERAPION" appears on the Government stamp (in white letters on a red ground) affixed to every genuine package by order of Her Majesty's Hon. Commissioners, and without which it is a forgery.

Sold by A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,

Hongkong, China and Manila.

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

(May 16th.)

Companies.	Paid up	Latest Capital.	quotation.
Banks.			
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$125	302 1/2 % premium	[buyers]
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited—(Preference)	\$5	Nominal	
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited—(Ordinary)	\$4	1st buyers	
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited—(Deferred)	\$1	£5.5 buyers	
National Bank of China, Ltd.	\$8	\$27	
Do. Founders.	\$1	\$20	
Marine Insurances.			
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	\$50	\$250	
China Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$25	\$54	
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$25	Ths. 165	
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	\$60	\$121	
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	\$50	\$130	
Straits Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$20	\$1	
Fire Insurances.			
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$295	
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$20	\$80	
Shipping.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited	\$15	\$304	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. & China & Manilla S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$91	
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$100	
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Pref.)	\$10	£10.10	
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Ovary)	\$10	£10.10	
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Ary)	\$5	£5	
Star Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$10	£18	
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$100	£300	
Refineries.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$126	
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$38	
Mining.			
Punjum Mining Co., Ltd.	\$7	\$6.10	
Punjum Mining Preference Shares	\$1	\$1.20	
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tunkin	Frs. 250	\$300	
Queen Mines, Ltd.	25 cts.	\$0.16	
Jelbali Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.	\$5	\$24	
Raub Aljan Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	15s. 10d.	\$51	
Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd. A.	\$5	\$4	
Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd. B.	\$4	£1.33	
Do. (Preference)	\$5	£0.52	
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$125	490 % premium	
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$86	
Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Ltd.	\$37	£54 buyers	
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$10	
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$125	
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	\$30	\$26	
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$49	
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$118	
Humphrey's Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$10.90	
Cotton Mills.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$37	
Evo Cotton Spinning & W. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 65	
International Cotton Mfg. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 62	
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 70	
Soy-Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	Tls. 400	
Yahloong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 57	
Miscellaneous.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$204	
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$15	\$20	
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$10	£16 ex div.	
Watkins, Limited	\$10	£10.50	
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$10	\$114	
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.	\$2	£2.10	
Hongkong Ropes Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$135	
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$170	
Hkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$25	\$48	
Hkong High Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$25	\$166	
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$165	
Hongkong and China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$6	£6	
Campbell, Moore and Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$50 buyers	
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	\$10	\$16	
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$1	1st buyers	
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$4	\$71	
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$11	
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$20	\$8	
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$5	\$5	
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$4	\$4	
EXCHANGE.			
Hongkong, May 16th.			
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	1/11		
" Bank Bills, on demand	1/11 7/12		
" Credits, 4 months' sight	1/11 7/12		
" D'ments, 4 months' sight	1/2		
ON BERLIN, (demand)	M. 2.00		
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	2.40		
Credits, 4 months' sight	1.50		
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	4.71		
Credits, 30 days' sight	1.81		
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	1.74		
On demand	1.64		
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	1.71		
Private, 30 days' sight	7.24 nom.		
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	31 per cent. prem.		
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$16.16		
Gold, 1st 100 taels, per tael	51.16		
Banknotes, 100 taels, per tael	57.916		
Dollars, 3 per cent. prem.			
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OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

	Hongkong, May 16th.
New Patna	970 per chest.
Old Patna	1,025 "
New Bonares	985 "
Old Bonares	990 "
New Malwa	900/920 per picul.
Old Malwa	930/960 "
Persian, paper lined	880/890 "

VESSELS IN PORT.

	Steamers.
ARDANDEARG, British steamer, 2,089, Wm. Kinley, 15th May—Manila 12th May, General—Dowdell & Co., Ltd.	2,089, Wm. Kinley, 15th May—Manila 12th May, General—Dowdell & Co., Ltd.
BENVENUTO, British steamer, 1,467, J. Porter, 13th May—Saigon 9th May, Rice—Gibb, Livingston & Co.	1,467, J. Porter, 13th May—Saigon 9th May, Rice—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
CANTON, British steamer, 1,100, D. F. Lawrence, 10th May—Shanghai via Wuhu 1st May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	1,100, D. F. Lawrence, 10th May—Shanghai via Wuhu 1st May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CARMAERTNSHIRE, British steamer, 1,878, C. H. Burch, 4th May—Kobe and Moji 29th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.	1,878, C. H. Burch, 4th May—Kobe and Moji 29th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHELVANO, British steamer, 2,467, J. T. Davies, 9th May—Calcutta 21st April, Penang and Singapore 4th May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	2,467, J. T. Davies, 9th May—Calcutta 21st April, Penang and Singapore 4th May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
DAPHNE, German steamer, 2,100, Th. Nissen, 11th May—Moji 5th May, Coal—Siemens & Co.	2,100, Th. Nissen, 11th May—Moji 5th May, Coal—Siemens & Co.
DEVAWONGSE, British steamer, 1,057, R. Curtis, 17th April—Saigon 13th April, General—Yueh Fat Hong.	1,057, R. Curtis, 17th April—Saigon 13th April, General—Yueh Fat Hong.
DIAMANTE, British steamer, 1,255, G. T. Blaxland, 13th May—Manila 13th May, General—Shewan, Tones & Co.	1,255, G. T. Blaxland, 13th May—Manila 13th May, General—Shewan, Tones & Co.
GERMANIA, German steamer, 1,774, L. Möller, 9th May—Saigon 4th May, Rice—Jebens & Co.	1,774, L. Möller, 9th May—Saigon 4th May, Rice—Jebens & Co.
HAILAN, French steamer, 377, Merles, 13th May—Pakhoi and Hoihow 11th May, General—A. R. Marti.	377, Merles, 13th May—Pakhoi and Hoihow 11th May, General—A. R. Marti.
HAIMUN, British steamer, 636, A. E. Hodgins, 13th May—Swatow 14th May, General—Douglas, Laprade & Co.	636, A. E. Hodgins, 13th May—Swatow 14th May, General—Douglas, Laprade & Co.
HANOI, French steamer, 750, Pannier, 14th May—Haiphong and Hoihow 13th May, General—A. R. Marti.	750, Pannier, 14th May—Haiphong and Hoihow 13th May, General—A. R. Marti.
HOLSTEIN, German steamer, 985, C. Iphand, 7th May—Saigon 3rd May, Rice and Teak—Norddeutscher Lloyd.	985, C. Iphand, 7th May—Saigon 3rd May, Rice and Teak—Norddeutscher Lloyd.
LOOSOK, British steamer, 1,020, J. B. Jackson, 12th May—Bangkok via Koh-si-chang 4th May, Rice and Timber—Butterfield & Swire.	1,020, J. B. Jackson, 12th May—Bangkok via Koh-si-chang 4th May, Rice and Timber—Butterfield & Swire.
LOYAL, German steamer, 1,237, Lorenzen, 15th May—Newchwan 7th May, Beans and Bean-cakes—Sander, Wieler & Co.	1,237, Lorenzen, 15th May—Newchwan 7th May, Beans and Bean-cakes—Sander, Wieler & Co.
MONGKOK, British steamship, 1,346, T. May, and Koh-si-chang 6th General—Yuen Fat Hong.	1,346, T. May, and Koh-si-chang 6th General—Yuen Fat Hong.
MONMOUTHSHIRE, British steamer, 1,871, J. Heenedy, 14th May—Portland, Oregon via Shanghai and Kobe 13th April, General—Dowell & Co., Ltd.	1,871, J. Heenedy, 14th May—Portland, Oregon via Shanghai and Kobe 13th April, General—Dowell & Co., Ltd.
INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 871, A. Halitz, 12th April—Samaran 3rd April, General—Sander, Wieler & Co.	871, A. Halitz, 12th April—Samaran 3rd April, General—Sander, Wieler & Co.
KACHIDATE MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,143, S. Fujiki, 15th May—Kuchinozaki 9th May, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	2,143, S. Fujiki, 15th May—Kuchinozaki 9th May, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
KEONG WAH, British steamer, 1,103, T. W. Groves, 6th May—Bangkok 3rd May, Rice and Tea—Norddeutscher Lloyd.	1,103, T. W. Groves, 6th May—Bangkok 3rd May, Rice and Tea—Norddeutscher Lloyd.
LOOSOK, British steamer, 1,020, J. B. Jackson, 12th May—Bangkok via Koh-si-chang 4th May, Rice and Timber—Butterfield & Swire.	1,02